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 Proposed Class: **134**

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER  
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(ENTRY INTO U.S. NATIONAL PHASE UNDER CHAPTER II)**

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**Box PCT****Assistant Commissioner for Patents****Washington D.C. 20231****ATTENTION: EO/US****CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\***

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- I. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Elected Office (EO/US) the following items under 35 U.S.C. 371:
  - a.  This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
  - b.  The U.S. National Fee (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1)) and other fees (37 CFR 1.492) as indicated below:

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## 2. Fees

CLAIMS FEE	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
<input type="checkbox"/> * TOTAL CLAIMS	26 - 20 =	6		18.00 x \$22.00 =	\$ 108.00
<input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	9 - 3 =	6		80.00 x \$70.00 =	480.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)		0	+ \$250.00	
BASIC FEE**	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. PTO WAS INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION AUTHORITY Where an International preliminary examination fee as set forth in § 1.482 has been paid on the international application to the U.S. PTO: <input type="checkbox"/> and the international preliminary examination report states that the criteria of novelty, inventive step (non-obviousness) and industrial activity, as defined in PCT Article 33(1) to (4) have been satisfied for all the claims presented in the application entering the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(a)(4)) ..... \$94.00 <input type="checkbox"/> and the above requirements are not met (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)) ..... \$680.00				
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. PTO WAS NOT INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION AUTHORITY Where no international preliminary examination fee as set forth in § 1.482 has been paid to the U.S. PTO, and payment of an international search fee as set forth in § 1.445(a)(2) to the U.S. PTO: <input type="checkbox"/> has been paid (37 CFR 1.492(a)(2)) ..... \$750.00 <input type="checkbox"/> has not been paid (37 CFR 1.492(a)(3)) ..... \$1,010.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> where a search report on the international application has been prepared by the European Patent Office or the Japanese Patent Office (37 CFR 1.492(a)(5)) ..... \$860.00				860.00
		Total of above Calculations		=	1448.00
SMALL ENTITY	Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Affidavit must be filed also. (note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)			-	
		Subtotal			
		Total National Fee		\$	1448.00
	Fee for recording the enclosed assignment document \$40.00 (37 CFR 1.21(h)). (See Item 13 below). See attached "ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET".				0.00
TOTAL		Total Fees enclosed		\$	1448.00

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\*See attached Preliminary Amendment Reducing the Number of Claims.

- i.  A check in the amount of 1448.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- ii.  Please charge Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

**\*\*WARNING:** "To avoid abandonment of the application the applicant shall furnish to the United States Patent and Trademark Office not later than the expiration of 30 months from the priority date: \*\*\* (2) the basic national fee (see § 1.492(a)). The 30-month time limit may not be extended." 37 CFR § 1.495(b).

**WARNING:** If the translation of the international application and/or the oath or declaration have not been submitted by the applicant within thirty (30) months from the priority date, such requirements may be met within a time period set by the Office. 37 CFR § 1.495(b)(2). The payment of the surcharge set forth in § 1.492(e) is required as a condition for accepting the oath or declaration later than thirty (30) months after the priority date. The payment of the processing fee set forth in § 1.492(f) is required for acceptance of an English translation later than thirty (30) months after the priority date. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in abandonment of the application. The provisions of § 1.136 apply to the period which is set. Notice of January 3, 1993, 1147 O.G. 29 to 40.

3.  A copy of the International application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)):

**NOTE:** Section 1.495 (b) was amended to require that the basic national fee and a copy of the international application must be filed with the Office by 30 months from the priority date to avoid abandonment. "The International Bureau normally provides the copy of the international application to the Office in accordance with PCT Article 20. At the same time, the International Bureau notifies applicant of the communication to the Office. In accordance with PCT Rule 47.1, that notice shall be accepted by all designated offices as conclusive evidence that the communication has duly taken place. Thus, if the applicant desires to enter the national stage, the applicant normally need only check to be sure the notice from the International Bureau has been received and then pay the basic national fee by 30 months from the priority date." Notice of January 7, 1993, 1147 O.G. 29 to 40, at 35-36. See item 14c below.

- a.  is transmitted herewith.
- b.  is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.
- c.  has been transmitted
  - i.  by the International Bureau.  
Date of mailing of the application (from form PCT/1B/308): \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii.  by applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.

4.  A translation of the International application into the English language (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)):

- a.  is transmitted herewith.
- b.  is not required as the application was filed in English.
- c.  was previously transmitted by applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.
- d.  will follow.

5.  Amendments to the claims of the International application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3));

NOTE: *The Notice of January 7, 1993 points out that 37 CFR § 1.495(a) was amended to clarify the existing and continuing practice that PCT Article 19 amendments must be submitted by 30 months from the priority date and this deadline may not be extended. The Notice further advises that: "The failure to do so will not result in loss of the subject matter of the PCT Article 19 amendments. Applicant may submit that subject matter in a preliminary amendment filed under section 1.121. In many cases, filing an amendment under section 1.121 is preferable since grammatical or idiomatic errors may be corrected." 1147 O.G. 29-40, at 36.*

- a.  are transmitted herewith.
- b.  have been transmitted
  - i.  by the International Bureau.  
Date of mailing of the amendment (from form PCT/1B/308): \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii.  by applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.
- c.  have not been transmitted as
  - i.  applicant chose not to make amendments under PCT Article 19.  
Date of mailing of Search Report (from form PCT/ISA/210.): \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii.  the time limit for the submission of amendments has not yet expired.  
The amendments or a statement that amendments have not been made will be transmitted before the expiration of the time limit under PCT Rule 46.1.

6.  A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (38 U.S.C. 371(c)(3));

- a.  is transmitted herewith.
- b.  is not required as the amendments were made in the English language.
- c.  has not been transmitted for reasons indicated at point 5c above.

7.  A copy of the international examination report (PCT/IPEA/409)

- is transmitted herewith.
- is not required as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.

8.  Annex(es) to the international preliminary examination report

- a.  is/are transmitted herewith.
- b.  is/are not required as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.

9.  A translation of the annexes to the international preliminary examination report

- a.  is transmitted herewith.
- b.  is not required as the annexes are in the English language.

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10.  An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)) complying with 35 U.S.C. 115

- a.  was previously submitted by applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.
- b.  is submitted herewith, and such oath or declaration
  - i.  is attached to the application.
  - ii.  identifies the application and any amendments under PCT Article 19 that were transmitted as stated in points 3b or 3c and 5b; and states that they were reviewed by the inventor as required by 37 CFR 1.70.
  - iii.  will follow.

II. Other document(s) or information included:

11.  An International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) or Declaration under PCT Article 17(2)(a):

- a.  is transmitted herewith.
- b.  has been transmitted by the International Bureau.  
Date of mailing (from form PCT/IB/308): 20 JUNE 2000
- c.  is not required, as the application was searched by the United States International Searching Authority.
- d.  will be transmitted promptly upon request.
- e.  has been submitted by applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.

12.  An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98:

- a.  is transmitted herewith.  
Also transmitted herewith is/are:  
 Form PTO-1449.  
 Copies of citations listed.
- b.  will be transmitted within THREE MONTHS of the date of submission of requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371(c).
- c.  was previously submitted by applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.

13.  An assignment document is transmitted herewith for recording.

A separate  "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING NEW PATENT APPLICATION" or  FORM PTO 1595 is also attached.

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14.  Additional documents:

- a.  Copy of request (PCT/RO/101)
- b.  International Publication No. WO 00/41754
  - i.  Specification, claims and drawing
  - ii.  Front page only
- c.  Preliminary amendment (37 CFR § 1.121)
- d.  Other

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15.  The above checked items are being transmitted

- a.  before 30 months from any claimed priority date.
- b.  after 30 months.

16.  Certain requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 were previously submitted by the applicant on \_\_\_\_\_, namely:

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**AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES**

**WARNING:** Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependant claims, to avoid unexpected high charges if extra claims are authorized.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 23-0442.

37 CFR 1.492(a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) (filing fees)

**WARNING:** Because failure to pay the national fee within 30 months without extension (37 CFR § 1.495(b)(2)) results in abandonment of the application, it would be best to always check the above box.

37 CFR 1.492(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

**NOTE:** Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 CFR 1.492(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possible when dealing with amendments after final action.

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37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees) **JC18 Rec'd PCT/PTO 28 JUN 2001**

**WARNING:** While 37 CFR 1.17(a), (b), (c) and (d) deal with extensions of time under § 1.136(a), this authorization should be made only with the knowledge that: "Submission of the appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is to no avail unless a request or petition for extension is filed." Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

37 CFR 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b))

**NOTE:** Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 CFR 1.311(b).

**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 CFR 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

37 CFR 1.492(e) and (f) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or filing an English translation of an International Application later than 30 months after the priority date).

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